



## LINES ON THE GREAT MIRACLE OF OUR HOLY FATHER THE POPE

You heroes of the Church of Rome attention pay to me  
This great surprising m'racle I will relate to thee  
Concerning this vile assassin the truth I do declare  
That thought to take our Pontiff's life, that sits in Peter's chair

This villain was well arm'd with revolvers it is true  
Likewise a dagger in his breast design'd from people's view  
He thought to get admittance his Holiness to see  
To execute that wicked crime by cruel treachery

When he reach'd the holy cabinet no farther he cou'd go,  
Till one of the blessed Cardinals his business here should know  
He says I have a secret I can't reveal to thee  
No one on earth can hear it but his Holiness and me

The Cardinal said unto this man admitted you o' n't be  
Into the chamber of the Pope h's Holiness to see  
None but a King or Emperor can visit him a'one  
So if you wish your business unto h'm I will make known

The Cardinal then he did advance with reverential  
Into the holy chamber where he found the Pope at prayer  
He says ther came a stranger your Holiness to see  
With some religious secret that he won't reveal to me

Our holy Pope made answer & with meekness bowed his head  
It's of no use for me to see the man that's lying dead  
My Lord and blessed Redeemer has warned me this day  
That man has come on purpose to take my life away

The Cardinal returned from the chamber fill'd with dread  
When he reached the holy cabinet this man was lying dead  
With revolvers & a dagger in his person there was found  
And a brace of loaded pistols beside him on the ground.

Our Lord I am shure to Peter those words then he did say  
Thou art to feed my lambs & sheep th' t none may go astray  
The goats of hell shall not prevail against you it is true  
Nor Satan and his cruel art shall ever injure you

Since I must conclude those lines fervently let us pray  
And thank the Lord for what he done now every Christian may  
But don't you see he told to us and I'm sure quite p'ain  
He always will be With his Church great Praises to his name